Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A method for annotating an item in a user interface of a media production system, the method comprising

accepting signals from a user input device to select a ~~part~~ frame in a plurality of frames of a production being processed by the media production system;

creating annotation information and an annotation marker; and

storing the annotation information in association with the selected ~~part~~ frame of the production, wherein the annotation marker is displayed with the frame when the frame is displayed during playback of the plurality of frames in the production, the annotation marker showing a visual relationship of the annotation information's relevance to the frame.

2. (original) The method of Claim 1, further comprising

accepting signals form a user input device to create the annotation information.

3. (currently amended) The method of Claim 2, wherein the annotation information includes text information.

4. (currently amended) The method of Claim 2, wherein the annotation information includes capture of drawing information.

5. (currently amended) The method of Claim 2, wherein the annotation information includes audio information.

6. (original) The method of Claim 1, wherein the annotation information is automatically generated by a process executing on a digital system.

7. (original) The method of Claim 6, further comprising

wherein the annotation information is automatically generated at a predetermined time.

8. (original) The method of Claim 6, further comprising

wherein the annotation information is automatically generated upon the occurrence a predetermined event.

9-13. (Canceled)

14. (new) The method of claim 1, wherein the annotation marker is stored as part of the frame in the production.

15. (new) The method of claim 1, wherein the annotation marker is displayed in the frame being displayed.

16. (new) The method of claim 1, wherein the annotation marker indicates one or more additional frames that are relevant to the annotation information.

17. (new) The method of claim 1, wherein the annotation marker is associated with an action that is performed when the annotation marker is selected.

18. (new) The method of claim 1, wherein the action comprises displaying the annotation information.

19. (new) A method for displaying a production in a user interface of a media production system, the method comprising

during playback of the production, wherein the production includes a plurality of frames; determining when an annotation marker is associated with a frame in the plurality of frames;

displaying the frame and the annotation marker, wherein the annotation marker shows a visual relationship of annotation information's relevance to the frame;

receiving an input selecting the annotation marker; and

performing an action with the annotation information in response to the selecting of the annotation marker.

20. (new) The method of claim 19, wherein the action comprises displaying the annotation information.

21. (new) The method of claim 19, wherein the annotation marker indicates one or more additional frames that are relevant to the annotation marker.

22. (new) The method of claim 19, wherein the annotation marker is displayed in the frame being displayed.